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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

The following references have been cited in the Priority Application DE 203 09 435.2:

- DE 36 41 368 C2 discloses a support for a gripper. Applicant attaches an English language translation of the abstract which corresponds also to the abstract of U.S. 4,863,206. Applicant also cites the corresponding document U.S. 4,863,206 on the attached PTO-1449 form.
- DE 37 28 204 A1 discloses a device for detecting a displacement of a tool-receiving plate. This allows the simultaneous switching off of a connected or coupled machine. No full translation of this reference is available to Applicant at this time. Applicant attaches an English language abstract.
- DE 200 17 129 U1 discloses grippers for use in forming automotive vehicle bodies.

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- DE 200 04 369 U1 discloses a support for gripping arms. This reference is discussed in the introductory portion of the application text. No translation of this reference is available to Applicant at this time.

The following references have been cited in the International Search Report.

- JP 07-285091 and related Patent Abstracts of Japan has been cited under Category X as to particular claims as listed in the copy of the attached International Search Report with the abstract and Figs. 1 - 4 indicated to be relevant. The reference has also been cited under Category Y as to International claims 21 - 23. Applicant attaches a translation.

- EP 1 216 798 has been cited under Category Y as to International claims 21 - 23. Particular passages are indicated to be of interest. Applicant attaches an English language abstract and it is also noted that this reference corresponds to U.S. 6,685,247 which is also listed on the attached PTO-1449 form.

- U.S. 4,673,329 A has been cited under Category X as to International claims 1 - 10, 12 and 13. Particular passages have been indicated to be relevant (see attached International Search Report).

- EP 0 386 729 A1 has been cited under CATEGORY X as to International claims 1 - 7, 10 and 11. Particular passages are indicated to be relevant. No English language translation of this reference is available to Applicant. However, Applicant attaches an English language abstract.

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